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MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Materials Division, ORR

FROM: Chief, Ferrous Metals Branch, D/M/RR

SUBJECT: Monthly Report for November 1958
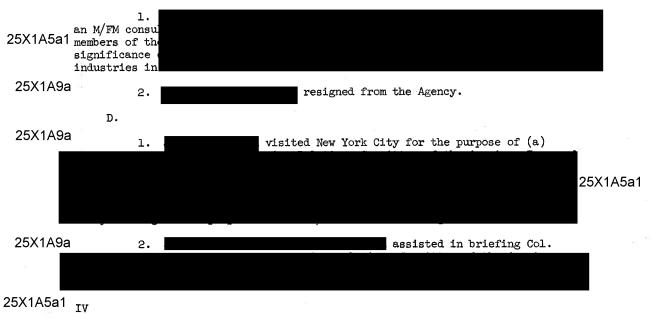
I Accomplishments

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        1. Written contributions were prepared in regard to USSR Seven Year Plan announcements.

        2. Ten Evaluations for DD/P and one for OO.

        3. Comments were prepared regarding a possible reduction of special material and in regard to Indexing of ▮▮▮ Reports.　　　　25X1A6a

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    B. In order to provide continuity of representation of the US steel industry at meetings of the ECE Steel Committee at Geneva the American Iron and Steel Institute and the Department of State have tentatively agreed to　25X1A5a1 the M/FM suggestion that the ▮▮▮▮▮▮▮▮▮▮▮▮▮▮▮▮▮▮▮▮▮▮▮▮▮▮▮▮ be a continuing member of th▮▮▮▮▮▮▮▮▮▮▮▮▮▮▮▮▮▮▮▮▮

    C. and F. Since the demands of the NIS program eliminated the preparation of comprehensive RR's on the iron and steel industries of Bloc countries it has been observed that little timely information is being disseminated to the intelligence community regarding significant developments in these industries. Material in NIS's is twelve or more months old when published and contains no forecasts, and contributions to the Current Intelligence Daily or Weekly Review because of space and time limitations, deal only with

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specific aspects of current interest. NIE's as published contain little industrial information other than production estimates.

To meet the apparent need for basic as well as timely information it is hoped that provision can be made in future ERA programs for the preparation of annual summary reviews of the status of the industry and of significant developments up to a recent date, with such forecasts as can then be made. These could be written in three sections -- European Satellites, USSR, and Far East, although the scheduling of NIS contributions might prevent simultaneous preparation and publication.

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